




# X-Men?



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Kind of awesome, actually, and filled with more than enough moments of nerd love that my nerd rage mostly got left behind. Although, really, WTF Banshee? I mean, *WTF Banshee*?!

Quoth my friend commonly known as Wonder Woman after the movie: "No, my first name ain't Cassidy. It's Sean. *Mister Cassidy* if you're nasty."

That was Ron Weasley only American. *Banshee is Irish. And a cop. And Moira is Scottish, and a scientist.*

Also, Emma Frost kicks far more ass than that.

Okay, nerd rage interlude over.

Hank made up for it. I know the actor playing Hank was adorable, because Harpy kept bouncing in her seat and squealing "He's *adorable*!" (She squeals. It's adorable.)

Did you know that the role Kevin Bacon was born to play was Sebastien Shaw? No, for reals. He was perfect. Smarm and douchebaggery and a really nasty power set.

However, I do have one bone to pick with this movie, and it falls under the "Brothers never make it out of a situation like this" clause. Seriously, if you're going to introduce a character of color *just to kill him off* (and I grant, it was a noble death), shouldn't it have been Thunderbird?

And would it be too much to ask for the Brotherhood of Evil Mutants not to come off as the bastion of diversity and the sensible choice for any reasonable mutant? Unless, of course, that was the point. In which case, subtly done! A brilliant undermining of the text!

I think I'm convincing myself of that interpretation, actually. Especially since the movie is very, very plain that Xavier is kind of a racist self-hating Uncle Tom\* douchebag...

...dude. I have to go think about this.

As the next stage in evolution, I mean. Along with my fellow brown people. And the Jews. Not that you should be worried and all.

...I'm beginning to think that this movie is a piece of art. Especially when I consider that Mystique/Raven\*\* is established in the film as being at least as old as Charles, and probably older, pursuant to her conversation with Hank about her leucocytes and her rate of aging--when he tells her that she'll still seem like a teenager when she's forty--she's probably sixty. Even though everybody, including Charles, treats her like a child.

Which makes the bedroom scene with her and Erik all the more awesome.

\*Unfair to Uncle Tom, if you've read the book.

\*\*Now there's an idea.

tl:dr: I have friends who will go see nerd movies with me, and nerd in the parking lot after. My life is complete.



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#### Yum.

Apples, maple syrup, and cheddar and goat

#### Behold the power of NOM.

I love the fact that the stand mixer makes deciding to throw together cinnamon rolls to rise

#### In case of emergency break eggs

Biscuits are best eaten fresh. And by "fresh," I mean, grabbed off the baking sheet when the oven

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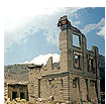


 **trollcatz**

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So the part where they had Tony Curran in a walk-on?

Why wasn't he playing Banshee?



**I have a dream...**

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...or I had one last night, rather. That we were geographically profiling the Batman to determine his comfort zone and his base of operations, and this culminated in a program of watchers with stopwatches all over Gotham reporting bat-sightings in real time through a distributed network.

We were just about to get the SOB when I was awakened by the eye pressure of the Angry Kitteh staring at me through the bedroom window.

Her food bowl was not full.



**Re: I have a dream...**

 **trollcatz**

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That explains why you're up. (Also, it's a brilliant idea. If anybody could bring him in, it'd be us.)

I'm up because my alarm clock started burrowing into the bed at 7 am. I would be burrowing back in myself soon, because T. is still in there, but the climbing gear is already in the car. Pick you up in forty?



**Re: I have a dream...**

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Just enough time to run down to the bakery and grab something enormous and whole-grain and a couple of gallons of decaf. And for you, a cheese thingy.

There's a chance of precip, but I saw we risk it.



**Re: I have a dream...**

 **trollcatz**

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My hero.



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And Tony Curran is Scottish.



 **trollcatz**

June 5 2011, 12:16:00 UTC    COLLAPSE

I'm sure he can do an Irish accent.




 **barsukthom**

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Aren't they the same thing? (derp)



 [trollcatz](#)


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Also, Hank is adorable because \*he\* knows how to treat a spinal injury. Charles might still be walking if Moira and Erik hadn't been mauling him around!

And that would be my nerd rage.

And before you yell at me, I'm in the drive through.



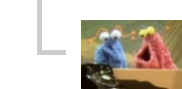
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I noticed you muttering "That is not how you treat a spinal injury!" and clenching your fists.

I'm still thinking about why the Brotherhood looks like an Ikea ad and the X-Men are so incredibly white, and given Xavier's obvious and repeatedly pointed-out privilege (and the patent institutional sexism, racism, and speciesism), I have to think that Singer's making a point about there not being any room in this society for the people who are not wealthy white guys.

I'm still sad about Darwin, though. Although really, given his power set, I like to think he just adapted by becoming an energy being.



 [eljefe](#)

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Yes, yes to all of this. I think Singer was spending more time making points than making a movie.



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*I'm still sad about Darwin, though. Although really, given his power set, I like to think he just adapted by becoming an energy being.*

I agree with this entirely, although being both a shameless X-fan and life-long huge LSH fan both I choose to think of Darwin as evolving into Wildfire, so that he can both have a reason for not being noticed for the rest of the movie, and go on to bet Even More Awesome™ after his 'death'.

The movie did indeed do a vastly better job of arguing Erik's side of the 'debate', not only due to the rather pitiful attempt at promoting Charles' side.

Other than the small faults listed here (Moira, Banshee and the bias towards the Brotherhood,) it was a damn fine movie indeed.


[Edited to add, 'cause I'm a doofus]: I got to see it in a cinema with ~40 or so other nerds, we had the entire screen to ourselves due to a small miscalculation by the staff of said cinema, and then we all

stood around outside geeking about it for at least 40 minutes afterwards.

A fine Friday night indeed, and well worth the money spent.

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This!

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